

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 797 - SB 733**

March 5, 2005

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates a presumption of child neglect when a person knowingly allows a child to be present within a structure used to create methamphetamine. The penalty will be a Class E felony if the child is over 6 years of age and a Class D felony if child is 6 years of age or less.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$1,585,100/Incarceration\***

Assumptions:

- 100 Class D felony convictions for child neglect of children 6 years of age or less.
- 100 Class E felony convictions for child neglect of children over 6 years of age.

*\*Section 9-6-119, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law.*

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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